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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL FILED WITH AN APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 1, 2007, Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the following:

Not to enter Amendments to the Specification as set forth on pages /J.W./ 2-3;

Not to enter Amendments to the claims as reflected in the Listing /J.W./ of Claims which begins on page 4; and

Remarks which begin on page 10.